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RUSSIANS IMPROVED IN SPACE EFFORT

BOB GNEISER: "The head man of NASA, James Webb, out in California today, where he told a luncheon meeting that the Russians did better than expected in the space efforts last year."

JAMES WEBB: "I would say during the last year, the Russians have shown more progress than we thought they could a year ago. They flew more than twice as many important space missions last year, as they did the year before. They have flown some very sophisticated vehicles -- in some ways, in the area of science -- just as sophisticated, or perhaps in some cases moreso, than we have."

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